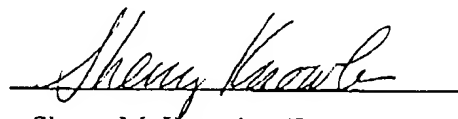


Remarks

Claims 100-102, 131-141, and 145-154 remain in this application. Claims 1-99, 103-130, and 142-144 have been canceled and claims 100-102 and 145-150 have been amended without any prejudice or disclaimer of any previously claimed subject matter. Claims 155-181 have been added.

The unifying concept in the remaining claims is that each is a pyrimidine nucleoside that has two non-hydrogen substituents in the 2'-position of the nucleoside, which represents the core of the invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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